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the thousands and thousands, versus a school district that's got a high enrollment of fourth graders, a low enrollment of fifth graders, a high enrollment of sixth graders. So you have a sixth grade class that's had two teachers. Now you drop to a fifth grade class that could get by on one teacher. But if you put the classroom first, they're not going to be able to let the fifth grade teacher, the coming sixth grade, present fifth grade, low enrollment class teacher go because we have said classroom has to come first, versus the school bus. And I'm not...I don't want to play on people's emotions, but an unsafe school bus has certain disadvantages, obviously. But as I would read this, because of the "shall," now it's not intent, it's not ideally or whatever, this says "shall," it looks like to me this could invite a lawsuit because the school board would eventually not do the school bus because they don't have the money, but they would keep the classroom teacher, the second classroom teacher. If you understand, I'm talking about the one...two classrooms, two teachers, versus one potentially, with low enrollment could get by with one. I would interpret this that they're going to have to keep two teachers for that coming small class because we want closer to the schools...closer to the kids versus a school bus that badly needs replacing. I don't think this is too far off an issue because I do realize many smaller districts are getting almost to this point. If you'd like comment, I'm going to...I'll quit talking. I just want to say I do oppose this amendment, not because I don't agree with it in theory, but I think, practically speaking, to be in statute causes more grief than it will do good in the long run. Thank you. You may have the rest of my time.

SPEAKER BROMM PRESIDING

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Bourne, you have a little over two minutes.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. I appreciate your comments and I recognize that you are maybe sympathetic to the concept of the bill and supportive of the concept, but you're afraid in practicality it might be difficult to implement, and he's nodding acknowledgement of that, and I understand that. One thing I will say about Senator Wehrbein's scenario with the